

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
FEBRUARY 21, 2012

Commissioner Chairman Boyer opened the meeting.

INSURANCE

Mary Milroy, 1st Deputy Auditor, brought a form from the Insurance Company that needed to be signed in order to cover some prescriptions that had been overlooked. Commissioner Francis made a motion to have Chairman Boyer sign the form. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Deputy Auditor Milroy also asked what the Board decided on the Life insurance. The Board has not made a decision yet.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Larry West, Regional Workforce Development Board, introduced Roger Feldhaus to give the Board the yearly report and update of the Regional Workforce Development Board. Mr. Feldhaus informed the Board about a new initiative, Advancing Manufacturing, they have been working on due to seeing some growth in jobs in manufacturing. They hope to enrich the pool of applicants and have been working with employers to design a certificate program. Chairman Boyer was glad to hear this as his heart has been heavy for Miami County. Miami County is ranked #4 in the State for unemployment and #1 in Sheriff Sales.

Kylie Betzner, JAG (Jobs after Graduation) read a letter from a graduate of the program. Deb Sheets, Site Team Leader and Tara Bradley, Chief Financial Officer was also in attendance.

10:00

POOR RELIEF HEARING

The Board of Commissioner conducted a poor relief hearing in response to an appeal filed by Robin Thomlison, Washington Township. Ms Thomlison stated that Julie Hammond, Township Trustee, denied her claim because she made too much money, but stated that her daughter was going to move in with her, which would allow more income. Mrs. Hammond told the Commissioner that she tried to explain to Ms. Thomlison that the law had changed and if anyone was on SSI, she (Mrs. Hammond) would notify the State of the assistance given and it would be taken out of her next check.

Chairman Boyer stated that the Trustees have a very difficult job and he respects the work that they do. Elimination of Township Trustees will not work in rural Indiana. If receiving help from the Trustee will her reduce her SSI check, he is not sure it would help. Commissioner Faust and Commissioner Francis agreed with Chairman Boyer. Chairman Boyer

Commissioner Faust made a motion to deny the appeal. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and passed 3-0.

YMCA RURAL TRANSIT

Dave Quick, Rural Transit, presented a claim to draw down designated funds. Commissioner Francis made a motion to sign the claim. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

EMA

Kris Marks informed the Board that he has been having trouble with the ID machine. Mr. Marks stated he will replace the ribbon but if he has to call a technician to look at it, he would like the BOC to take care of that. Mr. Marks will keep them updated.

HIGHWAY

Commissioner Faust asked Sam Waltz about the water that rushes in the driveway by the hotel on Business 31. Mr. Waltz will look at the next heavy rain.

MINUTES

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the February 6th minutes. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the February 13th minutes. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the payroll. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

MILEAGE

There were mileage claims turned in for mileage for picking up and dropping off an intern. Commissioner denied the claim.

SHERIFF

The Sheriff reported two cars for the Sheriff's Department have come in. Commissioner Francis made a motion to release the check for the vehicles and Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

PROSECUTOR

The Prosecutor turned in a claim from Peru Music Center for the headphones for the Courtrooms. The Commissioner will pay 1/3 of the bill, the Prosecutor will pay 1/3 and the Courts will pay 1/3.

RECORDER

Brenda Weaver, Recorder, informed the Board that she heard from the Bank of Burne. They will have to assign all the mortgages from American Trust to Bank of Burne and she may need some help from the floats.

DOCUMENTS TO INDIANAPOLIS

Council President Ralph Duckwall, Councilman McAuliffe and Auditor Jane Lilley went to Indianapolis on Monday to meet with Representative Bill Friend, Andrew Berger, Association of Indiana Counties and members of the Department of Local Government Finance. The Auditor informed the Board that she might have to go to Indianapolis again to deliver some documents. Commissioner Faust made a motion to have the Auditor hand deliver documents to Indianapolis if necessary. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0. Commissioner Francis stated he would go as well if needed.

FEDERAL SURPLUS FORM

Commissioner Faust made a motion to sign the Federal Surplus form. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PERF

The Auditor informed the Board that PERF notified her that the employer part of PERF will raise to 10% for 2013.

ORDINANCE

The Sheriff presented an ordinance to establish an annual sex or violent offender fee (per I.C. 11-8-8-21 and I.C. 36-2-13-55.6). The annual registration fee will be \$50 and a \$5 fee will be assessed for every change of address. Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Sheriff discussed getting all new batteries for the jail instead of replacing one or two at a time. Commissioner Francis made a motion to replace all the batteries (cost out of Cum Courthouse). Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner Francis made a motion to recess until 1:30. Commissioner Faust 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

BACK IN SESSION

Chris Caffyn updated the Board on the Wind Farm activity in Miami County.

Treasurer Becky Morris spoke to the Commissioners about properties that have back taxes. There is a meeting set for Tuesday morning with the Treasurer, Auditor, Commissioner Faust and SRI (tax sale company) to discuss some of the issues.

Commissioner Faust made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Boyer 2nd the motion. Motion passed 2-0. (Commissioner Francis left early)

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
C. Craig Boyer

_____, **Vice Chairman**
H. Jon Faust

_____, **Member**
Joshua Francis

Attest: _____, **Auditor**
Jane Lilley